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1. SWEDEN'S MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE ANDERS DAHLGREN ANNOUNCED ON MAY 21 THAT THE NUMBER OF DANISH AND WEST GERMAN FISHING VESSELS CURRENTLY ENGAGED IN FISHING IN SWEDEN'S NEWLY ESTABLISHED FISHING ZONE IN THE BALTIC SEA (NOW TOTALING SOME 800) MUST BE REDUCED BY ABOUT 400, EFFECTIVE JUNE 1. MINISTER

DAHLGREN SAID THERE ARE FAR TOO MANY DANISH AND WEST GERMAN VESSELS PRESENTLY FISHING IN THE SWEDISH ZONE CONSIDERING THE LIMITED SIZE OF THE FISHING QUOTAS ALLOTTED THEIR RESPECTIVE NATIONS. ACCORDING TO AN AGREEMENT REACHED AMONG THE BALTIC SEA STATES, THE TOTAL ANNUAL CATCH IN SWEDEN'S BALTIC FISHING ZONE MUST NOT EXCEED 130,000 TONS. OF THIS, THE DANISH QUOTA IS LIMITED TO 26,000 TONS, EXCLUDING AN ADDITIONAL QUOTA OF 2,000 TONS OF COD ALLOTTED TO BOTH DENMARK AND WEST GERMANY. MOREOVER, SWEDISH FISHERMEN HAVE INDICATED A WILLINGNESS TO SHARE WITH THE DANES A PART OF THEIR OWN COD QUOTA PROVIDED THE DANES AGREE TO ASSIST IN SWEDISH SALMON BREEDING ACTIVITIES IN THE MORRUM RIVER IN SOUTHEAST SWEDEN.

2. ACCORDING TO PRESS ACCOUNTS, IT APPEARS THAT THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY WILL NOT HAVE SUFFICIENT TIME TO TAKE THE NECESSARY MEASURES TO COMPLY WITH THE SWEDISH DECISION BY JUNE 1. THE COMMUNITY HAS THEREFORE ASKED FOR A RESPITE UNTIL JULY 1. MEANWHILE, THE EC'S FISHERIES MINISTERS WILL CONVENE IN MID-JUNE IN AN ATTEMPT TO BRING SOME ORDER TO THE ENTIRE FISHING QUOTA ISSUE. THE SWEDISH PRESS SPECULATES THAT THE MINISTERS WILL PROBABLY SEEK AT THE SAME TIME TO SOLVE THE PROBLEMS OF THE HARD-HIT DANISH FISHERMEN, MOST OF WHOM ARE BASED ON THE ISLAND OF BORNHOLM. UNCLASSIFIED

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